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Another minority likely: PM

Vote to provide 'fresh mandate'

After Canadians go to the polls in the next federal election they can expect more of the same — another minority government, says Prime Minister Stephen Harper, who appears poised to call a snap election.

"My expectation would be that we will have another minority government. I think that is the reality of the current political environment," Harper told reporters yesterday after announcing new measures to ensure Canada's sovereignty in the North.

Harper's repeated suggestions that he doesn't expect to win a majority in a fall election raise the question of why he is considering sending Canadians to the polls.

"It gives the government a fresh mandate that will give the government another couple of years to proceed," said Harper.

A former chief of staff to Harper suggests there's more to this seemingly self-evident, benign response than meets the eye.

Tom Flanagan, a political scientist at the University of Calgary, believes Harper would be satisfied to return with a strengthened minority — a result that would throw the Liberals into chaos, thereby advancing the prime minister's long-term strategy of destroying Canada's so-called natural governing party.

"I don't think Harper has to be thinking about a majority at all," Flanagan said in an interview. "Strategically, this is sort of a prolonged war of attrition."

"But (Harper) knows the idea of a Conservative majority scares people. The minute they talk openly about wanting a majority, they've got a problem because Canadians start asking about their agenda."
Liberal source

A senior Liberal source suggested another motive for Harper's comments. He is not surprised Harper keeps suggesting he's expecting another minority government, he said.

"I doubt that's what he's hoping for," he said. "But he knows the idea of a Conservative majority scares people. The minute they talk openly about wanting a majority, they've got a problem because Canadians start asking about their agenda."

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Celine **Taking Chances**

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Celine Dion performs at the Air Canada Centre last night. Dion is on her year-long Taking Chances worldwide tour, playing 120 dates in stadiums and arenas across five continents.

School board report called outdated

A new report that says Catholic school boards do more than public boards to help children overcome demographic hurdles is being called simplistic and outdated by a number of educators.

The report released yesterday by the C.D. Howe Institute uses a special formula to gauge how well schools do on provincewide tests given the demographic background of their students — family income, parents' education, mother tongue — and finds the majority of school boards that beat the demographic odds are Catholic.

The report's author, economics professor David Johnson, suggests Catholic schools may be more motivated to do a good job because if they don't, Catholic parents can switch their children to public schools — a market pressure it says public schools don't face.

"This trend is pretty astounding, but what I make of it is that Catholic school boards face parents who have a choice, and as a result, they may manage their resources better," said Johnson of Wilfrid Laurier University.

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Feeling hosed? Don't blame us, gas producers say

MESSAGE Consumers feeling pain at the pumps got no relief yesterday from Canadian gasoline producers and retailers, who brought a don't-blame-us message to a Commons committee investigating high energy prices.

MPs are studying how a barrel of crude oil could jump from roughly $70 US to more than $140 within a year, and what role speculators may have played in the rise.

The price of oil has declined by about 20 per cent since hitting a record high $147.27 on July 11. However, gasoline pump prices have not fallen as quickly. Committee members heard a familiar refrain — local markets, and not the big players, decide the prices charged to consumers.

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'Spiderman' caught climbing crane
A man dressed as Spiderman was arrested early yesterday morning after climbing a crane in the city's north end. Darcy Nogueira, 34, and Kristin Titus, 35, of Newcastle, who was on the sidewalk communicating with the climber through a walkie-talkie, face a total of nine charges. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Local

Hate crime hotline unveiled

A hate crime hotline for gays, lesbians, bisexual and transgendered individuals is now up and running in Peel. Peel Police say it's the first such hotline in North America. All calls to the special recorded hotline — 905-456-5905 — will be monitored by an officer with the force's Diversity Relations unit. Callers should receive callbacks within 24 hours, police said. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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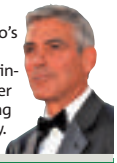

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Watch a report on successful missions to destroy IEDs in Afghanistan and the CEO of Maple Leaf Foods absolving regulatory authorities for the listeriosis outbreak

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News in brief

ACCIDENT A 37-year-old Toronto firefighter died in a motorcycle accident in Peterborough yesterday morning. Steve Van Hemme collided with a car while riding his motorcycle. Hemme of Station 322 joined the force in April 2000, police said.
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More inspectors on the way

Feds announce reinforcements to be hired in wake of meat recall

Ottawa will hire more food inspectors and may allow irradiation of meat to reduce bacteria that causes food-borne diseases such as the deadly outbreak of listeria linked to ready-to-eat meats.

Agriculture Minister Gerry Ritz announced at an Ottawa press conference yesterday that an extra 58 food inspectors would be hired this year. This is on top of 200 new hires in the last two years and a previously announced $113 million in new funding for food safety.

Meanwhile, Dr. Jeff Farber, director of Health Canada's bureau of microbial hazards, said the government is seeking approval for the irradiation of meats by early 2009.

This involves zapping foods with a small shot of radiation to kill harmful bacteria like listeria and E.coli.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved the irradiation of meat in 2000, but the practice has not gained widespread consumer acceptance.

Critics say it lets food producers and the government off the hook for lax procedures and are concerned that it reduces vitamin levels and alters the makeup of foods.

Ritz echoed Maple Leaf CEO Michael McCain when he said that testing products for listeria is like looking for a "needle in a haystack."

"Having been subjected to three or four complete chemical washdowns, there's very little doubt that there's any listeria there left," Ritz said. "Of course, it can come back at a moment's notice on someone's shoes, on someone's hand. It can be brought back into the plant the day after we say everything is good."

Public health officials said there are now 29 confirmed cases of listeriosis in five provinces, including 22 in Ontario. Nationwide, there are 15 deaths associated with the outbreak, 12 in Ontario. Five of the deaths have been directly tied to listeria and investigators suspect the bug was a factor in the others.
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Tough scrutiny

- Ritz said the Maple Leaf Foods plant in Toronto, believed to be the source of the listeriosis outbreak, would undergo tough scrutiny when it resumes production. Federal inspectors "will hold and test 100 per cent of the product coming off the lines for four to six weeks," he said.

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Students lag behind in math skills

Ontario elementary students posted gains in reading and writing, but their math skills have stalled, according to just-released test scores.

Roughly two-thirds of Grades 3 and 6 students who wrote the tests last spring met provincial standards, says the province's Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO).

One noticeable gain was in Grade 6 writing, in which 67 per cent of students met the provincial standard, and is roughly a B (70 per cent) grade. That was a jump from 61 per cent in 2006-7.

The EQAO also reports that 40 per cent of Grade 3 students who didn't make the grade three years ago, did so in Grade 6.

The province's goal is for three-quarters of students to be meeting the standard.
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Woman's Day in the Courtyard **A little off the top**

GEOFF PARKIN/TOP NEWS

Senior hair stylist Gan Montreuil from Urbantextures provides fashionable styling yesterday at Women's Day in the Courtyard at Yonge/Dundas Square. The fun-filled day included pampering, shopping, free samples, and fashion and beauty tips.

No more free parking

Metropass users accustomed to driving to the subway in the morning may need to reconsider their commute next year when they will no longer be able to park free in TTC lots.

Elected transit commissioners voted last night to charge pass holders between $2 and $6 per day to park in any of the TTC's 16 car lots, starting in the first quarter of 2009.

The changes won't alter the free parking offered at many lots after 3 p.m. daily and on weekends and holidays.

The fees will go ahead even though some commissioners wanted the TTC to wait and study other pricing structures such as a premium Metropass that would cover parking. It was also suggested that parking rates penalize suburban riders who have less bus service to subway stations.
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Burlington boy dodges abduction
A six-year-old boy dodged an abduction Sunday evening while riding his bike along Highway 407 and Guelph Line. Two adults, a male and a female, tried to pull him into their dark grey SUV around 8:30 p.m., but he broke free and rode away. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Elaborate plans for T.O.'s 175th

CELEBRATION Toronto is going to mark its 175th birthday next year with a bunch of celebrations, including an official song contest.

A big bash is planned for March 6 in Nathan Phillips Square, the day the city's incorporation documents were signed.

Wintry weather may be a problem, so celebrations will probably be held during the day.

City hall's rotunda will be opened up, along with committee rooms, to show off the city's history. Other events could include readings, as well as numerous events to follow throughout the year.

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More celebration

- The City of Toronto Archives will publish a book of photos.
- Doors Open turns 10.
- A new literary fest is planned.
- A contest to create Toronto's anthem. The city has an official motto, flag and logo, but no song.

Free honey? Buzz off, CNE tells beekeeper

That's it, honey. A Guelph beekeeper has been ordered by the Toronto Board of Health to stop giving out samples at his CNE booth. The board says eating anything in the same area as animals is a public health risk.

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Tibor Szabo can no longer hand out honey samples at the CNE's Farm building because of contamination from nearby animals.

Curiously, Tibor Szabo is allowed to sell the sealed jars of amber and gold honey that line his booth in the Farm building, which hosts pigs, horses and other animals and smells like a barn. He just isn't allowed to open them to give out samples.

Szabo has been giving out unlimited honey samples at the CNE for the last two years — a total of 76,000 dollops, he says — but he was told last week to take it outside.

"It's a big deal," Szabo said. "I'm a beekeeper from Guelph. Me and Dan and Lana, we make our living from bees," he said, gesturing toward his partners.

The directive came as part of a recent effort to eliminate food and beverage consumption in areas with animals, said Dan Kartzalis, healthy environments manager at the Toronto Board of Health.

"We're using basic public health practices," he said, adding that petting an animal and then eating anything could give someone salmonella, E. coli or listeriosis. Szabo counters that honey has antibacterial and acidic properties.

Szabo says he was not told he couldn't give out samples until a city inspector arrived at his booth last week. Kartzalis said he shouldn't have to be told: It's simply safe food practice. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Councillors want public to pay $100,000 legal bill

CITY HALL Two Toronto councillors want taxpayers to pick up almost $100,000 in legal fees they incurred fighting off complaints about their election campaign expenses in 2006.

Coun. Giorgio Mammoliti is seeking reimbursement for $54,000 in legal and consulting costs, and Coun. Adrian Heaps is looking for about $40,000 to cover legal bills.

City lawyers warned council that it doesn't have the authority to dole out money for such requests due to lack of jurisdiction.

"If a court found the reimbursement to be illegal, it could order repayment by the councillor," they said in a report.

The councillors' applications go before council's executive committee on Tuesday. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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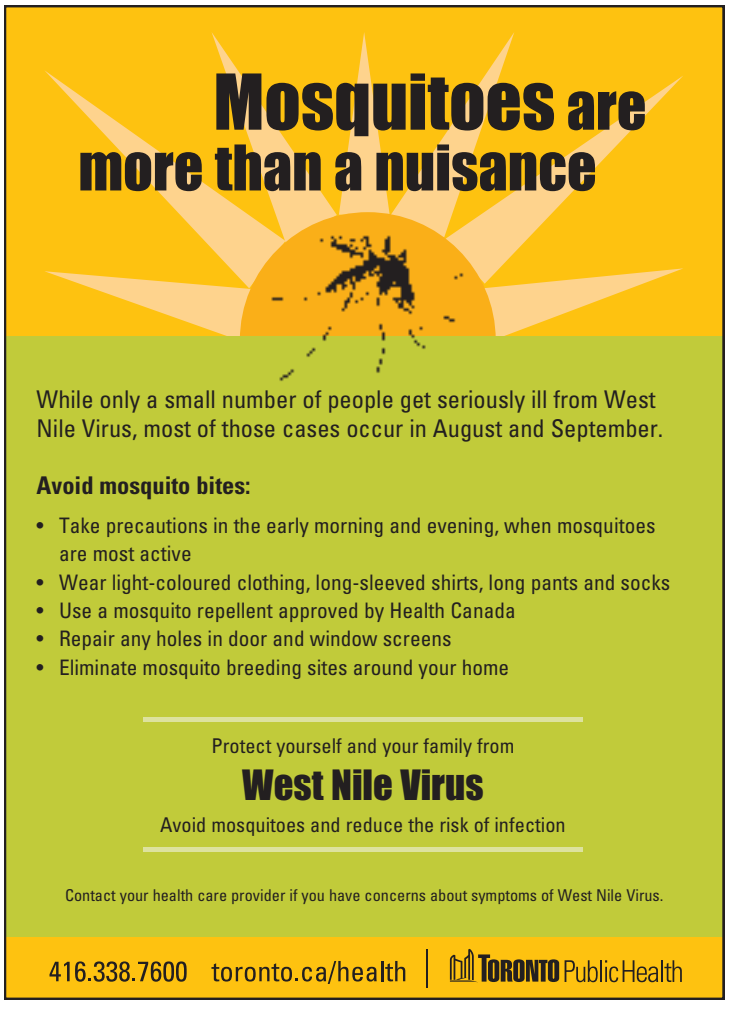
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Feds pledge $2 million more toward Georgia conflict

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Fossilized turtle unveiled

A 75-million-year-old fossil of a pregnant turtle was officially introduced to the public yesterday, nine years after it was discovered. The fossil and a nest of fossilized eggs were found in the badlands of southeastern Alberta in 1999 but had to be prepared for viewing. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada expanding Arctic reach

Canada is expanding its jurisdiction in the Arctic in order to assert control over foreign shipping in the area and to enforce anti-pollution rules, Prime Minister Stephen Harper announced yesterday.

"These measures will send a clear message to the world: Canada takes responsibility for environmental protection and enforcement in our Arctic waters," he said.

Harper said he wanted to send the message to Russia and other countries that Canada is laying claim to the Arctic, adding he would like to resolve some of the territorial disagreements it has with the U.S.

The Conservative government will be introducing legislation to expand the reach of the Arctic Water Pollution Prevention Act from 370 kilometres from Canada's coastline, he said.

> **"These measures will send a clear message to the world: Canada takes responsibility for ... enforcement in our Arctic waters."**
> Prime Minister Stephen Harper

The government will also require ships entering the Canadian Arctic to report to NORDREG, the Canadian Coast Guard agency that tracks such vessels.

Harper said that to enforce this requirement, the government is increasing its Coast Guard fleet.

The legislative change would extend Canada's jurisdiction to reach boundaries recognized under a United Nations convention, Harper said.

Since taking office, Harper has developed an affinity for the North, embracing its economic potential from untapped natural resources. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Layton to meet with Harper

POLITICS NDP Leader Jack Layton has agreed to sit down with Stephen Harper on Saturday, but said he believes the prime minister has already decided to throw in the towel and call a fall election.

There are several pieces of legislation, including bills on climate change and a national day-care strategy, that could form the basis of a fall agenda, but Layton said Harper has shown no interest in any of it.

"He seems to be lining up to justify quitting on the job," Layton said yesterday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

19 arrested in alleged drug ring

ONTARIO Police have arrested and charged 19 people in connection with a suspected drug smuggling operation in eastern Ontario.

The arrests were made Tuesday during 20 raids in Ottawa, nearby Alexandria and at the Akwesasne Mohawk reserve near Cornwall.

The suspects face a total of 230 charges, including conspiracy to produce and traffic drugs. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Officials were tipped to jail break

SASKATCHEWAN Jail officials in Saskatchewan were tipped to the possibility of an escape more than a week before six prisoners busted out, the province's corrections minister acknowledged yesterday.

Darryl Hickie said the information came to the attention of staff at the Regina Correctional Centre 10 days before Sunday's escape.

"There was information gathered through either staff or inmates ... that there was an escape plan," said Hickie. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Waterloo School films training video

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Waterloo Regional Police tactical officers, paramedics and Kitchener firefighters take part in the filming of a training video at Rockway Mennonite Collegiate yesterday. The video is being produced by the Canadian Distance Education Institute as part of a curriculum package addressing school violence.

General calls for more troops

AFGHANISTAN Recent military operations have taken a major bite out of the insurgency's ability to plant deadly roadside bombs on the outskirts of Kandahar city, but long-term security will require more time and manpower, Brig.-Gen. Denis Thompson said yesterday in a speech. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Angry Quebec artists compare Harper to Hitler
Prime Minister Stephen Harper was compared to Nazi dictator Adolf Hitler during a demonstration by angry Quebec artists slamming the Conservative government for cuts to arts funding. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Officer says he had little choice but to shoot SUV

INQUEST Even if he knew there were passengers inside a suspected stolen SUV that was ramming a police cruiser, a B.C. officer told a coroner's inquest yesterday he had little choice but to fire on the vehicle, killing a teenage boy inside.

The coroner's inquest is examining the shooting of 16-year-old Kyle Tait, who was a passenger in the SUV being chased by New Westminster police in the early hours of Aug. 23, 2005.

Const. Todd Sweet testified Tuesday that he didn't know there were other teens inside the SUV until he pulled out the wounded driver.

Yesterday, Cameron Ward, a lawyer representing Tait's mother, asked Sweet why he didn't hear a police radio message that noted there were four passengers inside the vehicle.

Ward then asked Sweet whether that information would have affected his decision to shoot, but Sweet replied the 18-year-old driver left him no other option. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Background

- This wasn't the first time Todd Sweet has faced controversy. Two months earlier, he was demoted and suspended without pay for five days after kicking a handcuffed suspect in the head following a different chase.

Train, crane collide, six hurt

NEIL MACKINNON
Metro Canada

A collision between a stationary Enmax crane and a southbound C-Train in Calgary sent six people to hospital with minor injuries, including a child.

The crane's boom cracked the cap of the train right down the centre around 10:14 a.m. yesterday, derailing it while smashing the windshield onto the driver. The driver was later removed from the train on a spinal board as a precautionary measure, said Stuart Brideaux of the EMS, adding that paramedics assessed about 34 people.

Sebastien Gariepy, 27, felt a massive jolt that popped him up off his seat as passengers screamed. He went to the driver's cab, pulling what was left of the windshield off the unconscious man.

ROBIN KUNISK/FOR METRO CALGARY

Calgary Police, Calgary Transit and Enmax sort through the wreckage of yesterday's collision between a train and a rail boom, which lifted the train from the tracks.

"I'm still shaking a little bit from it," he said.

"It was quite the experience."

Calgary police blamed miscommunication for the crash, which backed up traffic for more than an hour.

Enmax had a request to shutdown the line at 10:30 a.m. to pull a cable for the northwest LRT extension and was in the midst of preparing for work, said Sgt. Joerg Gottschling.

"There was supposed to be some verbal confirmation before the boom was moved over the tracks and that didn't come," Gottschling said.

A single track will direct C-Train traffic around the affected area and CT's Ron Collins said he doesn't expect any major impacts on service despite the Calgary Fire Department's assertions that the derailment uprooted rail ties and bent tracks.

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Canadian spending in the United States rose 23.3 per cent to about $3.8 billion.

Canadian residents made nearly 2.8 million overnight trips to overseas countries during the first three months of 2008, up 12 per cent from the same quarter last year.

The three most-visited countries by Canadians outside of the United States were Mexico, Cuba and the Dominican Republic. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Refinery restarts key equipment

FUEL Petro-Canada announced yesterday it has restarted a key piece of equipment that had been shut down in early August, resulting in fuel shortages at gas stations across British Columbia and Alberta.

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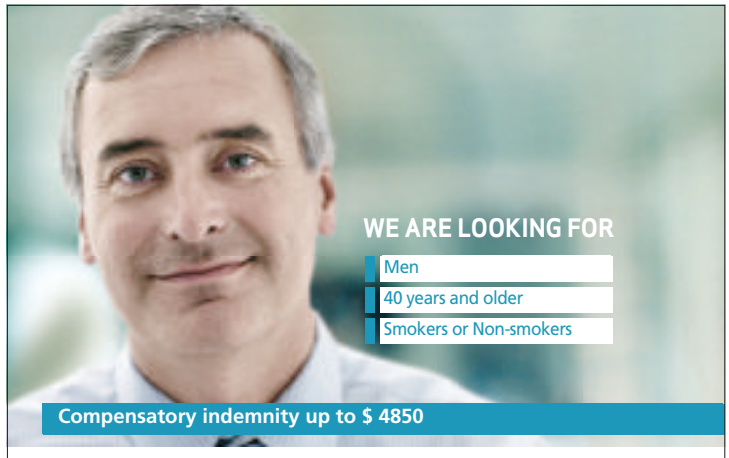

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World

Plane had earlier problem

Spanair says the plane that crashed last week in Madrid had landing gear trouble that forced it to abandon a takeoff attempt last month on a flight from Spain to Denmark. The crash killed 154 people. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Historic night for Obama

Barack Obama stepped triumphantly into history last night, the first black American to win a major party presidential nomination, as thousands of Democrats transformed their convention hall into a joyful, shouting celebration.

Former rival Hillary Rodham Clinton asked delegates to the party convention to make their verdict unanimous "in the spirit of unity, with the goal of victory."

And they did, with a roar.

Chants of "Obama" and "Yes we can" surged up from the convention floor as the outcome of a roll call of the states was announced.

Bill Clinton

Not long afterward, former president Bill Clinton delivered his own strong pitch for the first-term senator from Illinois.

"Everything I've learned in my eight years as president and the work I've done since, in America and across the globe, has convinced me that Barack Obama is the man for this job," he said.

Michelle Obama, watching from a balcony, stood and applauded as the former president praised her husband. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Spain **Tomatoes fly in food fight**

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Revellers throw tomatoes during the annual food fight, the Tomatina, in the small Spanish town of Bunol. Each year tens of thousands of people hurl truckloads of tomatoes at each other, sending knee-deep rivers through the small Spanish town.

Dead Sea Scrolls to go online

RELIGION Israeli and American scientists are bringing the oldest known version of the Hebrew Bible into the 21st century: They're digitally reproducing the Dead Sea Scrolls online.

The ancient manuscripts containing almost the entire Hebrew Bible date back more than 2,000 years. They are widely considered to be one of the most important archeological finds ever.

They were discovered accidentally by a Bedouin shepherd looking for a stray sheep in 1947.

The Israeli Antiquities Authority said yesterday that reproducing the thousands of scroll fragments will take about five years.

Special imaging cameras are being used to record the priceless manuscripts without damaging them. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

News in brief

GUSTAV U.S. weather officials say Gustav is swirling toward Cuba after triggering flooding and landslides that killed at least 22 people in the Caribbean. The storm's track is pointing toward the U.S. Gulf coast, including Louisiana, where hurricane Katrina wreaked havoc three years ago.

GHANA The UN's climate chief says talks in Accra, Ghana, on a new global warming agreement have begun to resolve some of the major sticking points. Among other things, officials say delegates found some common ground on ways to help developing countries limit emissions. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Witch exonerated

Woman beheaded more than 200 years ago

The last person to be executed as a witch in Europe has been exonerated more than 200 years after her death.

Anna Goeldi was beheaded by Swiss executioners in 1792 after she was accused of causing a girl to spit pins and convulse.

The decision to clear Goeldi's name was announced yesterday after long debate in the eastern Swiss state of Glarus and was taken in consultation with the Protestant and Roman Catholic churches.

Executions

- Several thousand people, mainly women, were executed for witchcraft between the 14th and 18th centuries in Switzerland and elsewhere in Europe.

The Glarus government has said historical investigators have found the woman was executed even though those who put her to death were enlightened people who knew the alleged crime was "neither doable nor possible" and they had no legal basis for their harsh verdict.

Goeldi's execution happened in the Age of Enlightenment, when "those who made the judgment regarded themselves as educated people," the government said.

Goeldi's trial and beheading in the village of Mollis took place at a time when witch trials had largely disappeared from the continent.

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Ba Da Bling – man donates $3M lottery ticket to church

DONOR A New York pastor says one of his congregants donated a winning lottery ticket worth $3 million to his church.

Pastor Bertrand Crabbe of the True North Community Church in Port Jefferson, N.Y., says the donor, who asked to remain anonymous, donated the "Ba Da Bling" scratch-off ticket immediately after realizing he won.

Crabb says the donor said: "This was why God put the ticket in his hands."

A state lottery official says the independent Christian church will get a little more than $100,000 a year through 2028.

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News in brief

BANNED Israel's national broadcast authority has banned radio ads supporting the right of Palestinian university students from the Gaza Strip to study abroad.

An Israel broadcast official said yesterday the ads are too controversial.

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Federal budget to stay in black amid grey economy

The federal government will easily avoid slipping into a deficit position despite the slumping economy and will likely record higher surpluses than forecast, says a new analysis by the Conference Board of Canada.

The private sector think-tank says higher-than-projected inflation and other factors have boosted government revenues and almost completely countered the impact of slower growth and tax cuts that went into effect in January.

The government had forecast a $2.3-billion surplus this fiscal year and a slim $1.3-billion surplus in 2009-10, but the Conference Board believes Ottawa should beat both targets.

"Federal revenues should have been down nearly $20 billion in the first quarter, given the measures set out in last fall's economic statement," said chief economist Glen Hodgson.

"Instead, only a ($1.1-billion) reduction is showing up in the national accounts" in the first quarter.

Hodgson later said a $5-billion surplus would not be a surprise.

Other economists have also recently dismissed fears that Canada's slumping economy — which many believe could grow at half the rate of the budget's 1.7 per cent outlined — will result in the first federal budgetary deficit in more than 10 years. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Glen Hodgson, Conference Board of Canada

Average weekly earnings at $789

OTTAWA The average weekly earnings of employees stood at $789.23 in June, up 0.1 per cent from May and 2.5 per cent more than a year ago.

Since last year, earnings among rose by 3.6 per cent in educational services, 2.6 in manufacturing, 2.5 in health and social assistance, 2.1 in accommodation and food services and 1.6 per cent in retail trade.

Statistics Canada says the strongest growth was in Alberta, at 4.6 per cent, and Saskatchewan, at 3.7. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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CIBC shares jump on strong report

PROFIT Shares in CIBC jumped more than 6.5 per cent yesterday after the bank posted a $71-million profit in the third quarter, despite some credit-related writedowns.

The company's stock closed up $3.04 to $60.10 in Toronto, near its high of the day of $61.19. The spark in its stock had analysts questioning whether this isn't just a temporary spurt of optimism.

The bank's earnings amounted to 11 cents per share in the quarter ended July 31, 2008, down from $835 million or $2.31 per share a year ago.

The quarterly results included an $885-million charge from risky securities linked to the U.S. residential mortgage market — bad-debt protection purchases from U.S. bond insurers who have since been hit by financial issues. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Other opinions

Genuity Capital Markets analyst Mario Mendonca said the outlook is still cautious. While CIBC's writedowns didn't include any subprime charges this quarter, it doesn't mean it won't be soon: "The reason they're not taking subprime charges this quarter is because credit spreads declined."

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Red Sox trade for outfield depth

The Boston Red Sox acquired Mark Kotsay from Atlanta for a minor leaguer yesterday, adding depth to their outfield one day after J.D. Drew went on the disabled list. Kotsay hit .289 with six home runs and 37 RBIs in 88 games with the Braves. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sports

Merriman to play despite injury

Chargers linebacker Shawne Merriman, left, has decided to play this season rather than have surgery on two torn ligaments in his left knee. Merriman informed the team of his decision yesterday morning. He said last week he has two torn ligaments in his left knee and has been told by doctors that he could suffer a possible career-ending injury if he attempts to play without having surgery. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Purcey loses pitching duel

Blue Jays rookie starter strikes out 11, but gets no offensive support

Rays 1 Blue Jays 0

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Toronto Blue Jays starter David Purcey allowed only one run on five hits over eight innings while striking out 11, but took the loss as the Tampa Bay Rays defeated the Jays 1-0 last night.

It's been a while now since the Blue Jays could say they had Matt Garza's number.

But for one fastball last night, the Tampa Bay Rays still don't have any idea how to reach David Purcey.

Purcey, making only his eighth career start, upped his strikeout-high by three when he whiffed 11 Rays over a sterling eight innings.

His one mistake, though, was that aforementioned fastball, which Carlos Pena drilled about 420 feet for the game's only run.

It marked the Jays' fifth 1-0 decision of the season — third lost — and dropped them back to 12½ games behind the East's front-running Rays.

Falling to 2-5, Purcey also went a career-high eight frames, checking the Rays on four singles besides the Pena homer.

Garza, acquired in a November trade that sent Delmon Young to Minnesota, gave up six hits over 7⅔ innings and improved to 11-7 — 3-1 against Toronto.

Purcey had matched Garza goose-egg for goose-egg until his first pitch of the fourth. Pena whacked that one a long, long way into the seats in right, his team-leading 27th of the season.

Purcey, whose previous strikeout high had been the eight against the Tigers in Detroit three starts back, struck out two in each of the first, second and third; all three Rays following the Pena homer in the fourth and the leadoff man in the fifth.

Against Garza, the Jays only got two runners as far as second — one in the third on Joe Inglett's two-out double into the right corner and again in the eighth, when Alex Rios and Vernon Wells worked back-to-back, two-out walks.

That was it for Garza and when Grant Balfour came on to fan Adam Lind, that was pretty much it for the Jays.

Dan Wheeler, on for the ninth in the absence of Tampa's injured closer, Troy Percival, set down the Jays 1-2-3 for his ninth save.

The final out was a loud one — a catch near the top of the fence in left by Justin Ruggiano on a drive by Rod Barajas. Ruggiano had just been shifted from right to left to start the inning.

Ruggiano made a big play in the first inning, too, when he chased down a Rios drive headed for the gap in right-centre that would have cashed Inglett's leadoff single.

In four outings against the Jays this season, Garza is now 3-1 and has given up only one run in 30 innings — and that one run 23 innings ago.

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Sakic set to return to Avalanche

NHL Patience paid off for the Colorado Avalanche, who signed Joe Sakic to a one-year, $6-million US contract yesterday after he decided to play a 20th NHL season rather than call it a career.

"Ultimately, it came down to the fact that I still enjoy playing and competing," the 39-year-old captain said in a statement released by the team. "I'm comfortable with my conditioning and my overall health. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sharks ink Vlasic to four-year deal

NHL The San Jose Sharks have locked up an important piece of their future.

Vlasic

The team signed defenceman Marc-Edouard Vlasic to a $12.4-million US, four-year contract extension that will kick in after this coming season.

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SCOREBOARD

MLB

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EAST DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Tampa Bay	80	51	.611	—
Boston	77	55	.583	3½
N.Y. Yankees	70	62	.530	10½
TORONTO	**68**	**64**	**.515**	**12½**
Baltimore	63	70	.474	18

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Chicago Sox	76	57	.571	—
Minnesota	75	58	.564	1
Cleveland	65	67	.492	11½
Detroit	64	69	.481	12½
Kansas City	56	76	.424	19½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
L.A. Angels	80	51	.611	—
Texas	65	68	.489	16
Oakland	60	72	.455	20½
Seattle	50	83	.376	31

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Philadelphia	73	59	.553	—
N.Y. Mets	73	60	.549	½
Florida	68	65	.511	5½
Atlanta	58	75	.436	15½
Washington	48	85	.361	25½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Chicago Cubs	83	50	.624	—
Milwaukee	77	55	.583	5½
St. Louis	73	60	.549	10
Houston	66	66	.500	16½
Cincinnati	58	74	.439	24½
Pittsburgh	57	75	.432	26

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Arizona	68	64	.515	—
L.A. Dodgers	65	68	.489	3
Colorado	63	71	.470	5½
San Francisco	58	74	.439	9½
San Diego	51	82	.383	17

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Tampa Bay 1 **TORONTO** 0
Minnesota 6 Seattle 5
Baltimore 11 Chicago W. Sox 3
Boston 11 N.Y. Yankees 3
Cleveland 9 Detroit 7
Texas at Kansas City
Oakland at L.A. Angels

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Chicago Cubs 2 Pittsburgh 0
Florida 4 Atlanta 1
San Diego 5 Arizona 4
Washington 5 L.A. Dodgers 4
N.Y. Mets at Philadelphia
Cincinnati at Houston
Milwaukee at St. Louis
Colorado at San Francisco

TODAY'S GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Boston at N.Y. Yankees, 1:05
TORONTO at Tampa Bay, 7:10
Minnesota at Oakland, 10:05
Texas at L.A. Angels, 10:05

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Cincinnati at Houston, 2:05
Florida at Atlanta, 7:10
L.A. Dodgers at Washington, 7:10
Philadelphia at Chicago Cubs, 8:05

CFL

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	T	PTS
Montreal	5	3	0	10
TORONTO	**3**	**5**	**0**	**6**
Hamilton	2	6	0	4
Winnipeg	2	6	0	4

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	T	PTS
Saskatchewan	6	2	0	12
Calgary	5	3	0	10
Edmonton	5	3	0	10
B.C.	4	4	0	8

WEEK 10

TOMORROW'S GAME

B.C. at Montreal, 7:30

SUNDAY'S GAME

Winnipeg at Saskatchewan, 3

MONDAY'S GAMES

Edmonton at Calgary, 4
TORONTO at Hamilton, 7:30

SOCCER

GAMES FEATURING TORONTO FC:

SATURDAY'S GAME

TORONTO at CD Chivas USA, 10:30

Argos add new defensive coach

CFL Head coach Rich Stubler is looking to a familiar face to help boost the Toronto Argonauts defence.

The Argos announced yesterday that Mike Walker, a former standout CFL defensive lineman, has joined the squad as a defensive consultant.

"We're thrilled to have Mike Walker in Toronto," Stubler said in a statement. "He played for me in the 1980s in Hamilton alongside Grover Covington and helped Grover become the CFL's all-time sack leader.

"Mike's been with Washington State the past decade and brings a great deal of expertise on the defensive line. We're excited to utilize his knowledge to help us in our quest for a Grey Cup."

Last season, Toronto's defence was the CFL's best. But this season the unit has been plagued by inconsistency as the Argos head to the midway point of the regular season with a less-than-stellar 3-5 record.

Walker will spend most of his time working with the Argos' defensive line.

Walker played for Hamilton from 1982-89 and was a four-time East Division all-star and three-time CFL all-star during that time. He helped Hamilton appear in four Grey Cup games, winning in 1986.

Walker has spent the last 11 years as the defensive line coach at Washington State, his alma mater.

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Warriors' Ellis expected to be out three months

Golden State guard Monta Ellis will be sidelined for at least three months after severely spraining his ankle during an off-season workout, forcing the Warriors to start the season without the player expected to lead their restructured roster this fall. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Top seeds advance

Jelena Jankovic, the No. 2 seed in the U.S. Open, outlasted Sweden's Sofia Arvidsson 6-3, 6-7 (5), 7-5 yesterday on yet another uncharacteristically mild August day in Flushing Meadows.

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Novak Djokovic plays a shot against Arnaud Clement during his 6-3, 6-3, 6-4 win in the first round of the U.S. Open yesterday.

Canadian Frank Dancevic wasn't so fortunate. The 23-year-old from Niagara Falls, Ont., dropped a 6-3, 6-4, 7-5 decision to 18th-seeded Spaniard Nicolas Almagro in the first-round match for both players.

While Jankovic escaped an early exit, No. 8 seed Vera Zvonareva couldn't. Zvonareva was upended by Tatiana Perebiynis 6-3, 6-3 in the tournament's biggest upset yet. Svetlana Kuznetsova shook off an early break and rallied to a 7-6 (3), 6-1 victory over Sorana Cirstea.

No. 15 seed Patty Schnyder also moved into the third round with a 6-3, 6-3 win over Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova. Fifth-seeded Elena Dementieva advanced over Pauline Parmentier 6-2, 6-1, but No. 25 Francesca Schiavone was knocked out by Anne Keothavong 6-2, 3-6, 6-4, and Zheng Jie eliminated No. 26 Anabel Medina Garrigues 6-1, 6-4.

In men's first-round play, No. 3 seed Novak Djokovic shook off an injury to his left ankle in the third set and beat Arnaud Clement 6-3, 6-3, 6-4. Djokovic rolled the ankle while going for a shot on the right sideline in the fourth game. After receiving on-court treatment, he wrapped the match with a break of Clement's serve.

Fifth-seeded Nikolay Davydenko beat Dudi Sela 6-3, 6-3, 6-3; Jo-Wilfried Tsonga, the No. 19 seed, moved on with a 6-7 (3), 6-4, 6-2, 6-3 win over Santiago Ventura; and Dmitry Tursunov, the 26th seed, upended Eduardo Schwank 7-5, 4-6, 7-5, 7-6 (5).

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Sports in brief

SOCCER Liverpool captain Steven Gerrard will undergo surgery today and will be sidelined for at least 10 days, ruling the midfielder out of England's crucial away matches against Andorra on Sept. 6 and Croatia four days later.

NFL Defensive end Derrick Harvey ended a 33-day holdout yesterday by signing a five-year, $23.8-million US contract with the Jacksonville Jaguars.

NFL Oklahoma City's new NBA franchise has finally set a date to announce its name and team colours. The team said yesterday it would unveil the name and colours simultaneously on its website and at a downtown event Sept. 3.

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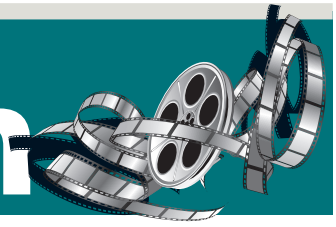

Film festival's come a long way in 33 years

STEVE VEALE
for Metro Toronto

How do you start a film festival? If you're Bill Marshall, co-founder of the Toronto International Film Festival, you put everything on your credit card.

According to Marshall, he racked up $100,000 (1976 dollars, that is) before AmEx insisted he cease and desist his spending spree.

He and his movie buddy, the legendary Dusty Cohl, took a massive personal gamble that led to the creation of the world's largest public film festival.

In the first year, the festival screened 127 films — headlined by the French film Cousin, Cousine — and had a nominal budget to host just nine guests, including Producer Dino de Laurentiis and French actress Jeanne Moreau.

Today, organizers screen more than three times the number of films selected and their guest list fills two pages (small lettering, single-spaced) of Hollywood and the international cinema elite.

In 33 years, the fledgling festival — initially known as the Festival of Festivals because it highlighted the best of every other festival — has grown beyond anyone's imagination and has screened 8,881 films from every corner of the globe.

Filmmakers now use TIFF to showcase their artistic achievements to the international film community. Academy Award campaigns start here and unknown films have gone on to Oscar gold due to the media buzz from Toronto.

The Cannes Film Festival is still the granddaddy of them all, but it's mostly for distribution deals. Sundance gets massive press by showcasing smaller independent films, but it's attended by skiing movie stars and distributors. Nope — Toronto is the one for the true movie fan.

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Action! Egoyan returns

Acclaimed director Atom Egoyan will be screening his film Adoration at this year's festival. It will be the North American premiere of Adoration. The festival runs from Sept. 4 to 13.

Free flicks at Yonge-Dundas

STEVE VEALE
for Metro Toronto

Couldn't get the week off work for the festival? Well, cheer up, because TIFF has something special for you — free outdoor movies at Yonge-Dundas Square.

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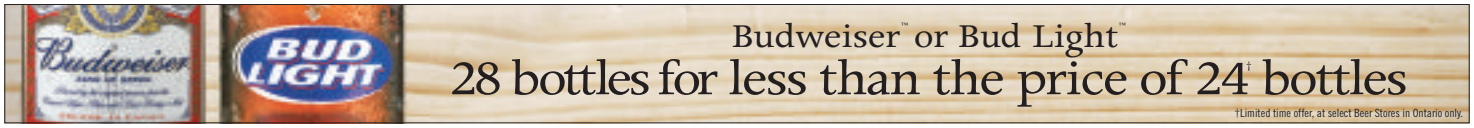
This new "street-level hub" of TIFF activity will also feature live entertainment.

Throughout the day, movie soundtracks will fill the air in the square.

Here's the schedule:

- **Sept. 4, 8:30 p.m.** Visions of Light: The Art of Cinematography
- **Sept. 5, 8:30 p.m.** Who Do You Love, Robert Randolph
- **Sept. 6, 1 p.m.** More Than a Game
- **Sept. 6, 8:30 p.m.** Concert & movie. Youssou Ndour: I Bring What I Love
- **Sept. 7, 2 p.m.** Concert with cast of A Chorus Line
- **Sept. 7, 4 p.m.** Concert in support of film Witch Hunt
- **Sept. 7, 8:30 p.m.** That's Entertainment!
- **Sept. 8, 8:30 p.m.** Concert & movie. Trumpeter Terrance Blanchard performs for Spike Lee's Miracle at St. Anna
- **Sept. 9, 8:30 p.m.** Edge-Codes.com
- **Sept. 10, 6:30 p.m.** Martial arts demonstration
- **Sept. 10, 8:30 p.m.** Hearts of Darkness: A Filmmaker's Apocalypse
- **Sept. 11, 5:30 p.m.** Concert for film One Week
- **Sept. 11, 8:30 p.m.** East Riders, Raging Bulls: How the Sex, Drugs and Rock 'n Roll Generation Saved Hollywood
- **Sept. 12, 8:30 p.m.** The Celluloid Closet.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Avoid utilitarianism and use some flair and creativity in decorating your dorm

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It's that time of year again — university and college-bound students will soon be arriving in university towns all across the country. But instead of taking a strictly utilitarian approach to furnishing student housing, why not take several days to decorate with flair and creativity? We know you'll appreciate the effort come those days and nights of studying, assignments and essays.

First of all, new paint is always a crowd pleaser. It is relatively inexpensive, hides dirt and wear and gives a new zip to a well-worn space. Calming and muted colours such as sage or a creamy beige may be best to encourage good study habits, but dramatic colours can be fun, too. You can limit a dramatic shade to one wall, as too much colour in a small space may be claustrophobic. Whatever you do, paint a small sample on the wall before you commit to the colour — we've discovered that shades and hues sometimes do not turn out as expected.

And speaking of paint, here is an awesome way to make it do double duty: Look into chalk paint, which now comes in 10 colours including the black and green traditionally used for blackboards.

You can paint the inside panels of a door so that messages can be chalked onto your door, or a wall in the kitchen for shopping lists or for listing kitchen duties, for example.

Here's another opportunity to make a wall more versatile — you can use magnetic latex primer under your paint to make your wall into a huge magnetic board. The primer is black, but several layers of paint in any colour will cover it.

If the owner of the space allows it, you may even wallpaper one wall in a dramatic pattern. Or purchase small squares of interesting wallpaper and frame it as you would frame a picture.

The Home Depot even carries wallpaper made of FSC (Forest Stewardship Council) approved wood.

We also love some of the large-scale wall decals, such as huge 4-foot-high flowers — they can add pizzazz to an otherwise uninteresting space. Check out the Blik brand-name for these.

They are great because they can be peeled off and reapplied in another location.

For stylish storage in a small space, consider a cubed wall divider. These can also serve as a room divider, adding flexibility to the room. When space is tight, attractive floating shelves or cubes are functional and keep valuable floor space open at the same time. But don't allow these lovely shelves to become overstuffed; tidy them when needed to keep them "architectural" looking. Rugs add comfort and the feeling of home to a space, so they are especially important to the student away from home for the first time. Here, coordinating colour is important — either design the colour scheme with the rug in mind, or invest in a modestly priced new one.

Finally, don't forget that fabrics are strong design elements. On a bed, consider investing in coordinated bright new linens with matching pillows. For draperies, curtains or blinds, strive to co-ordinate these with each other and other colours in the room rather than using a mish-mash of patterns and colours. If you must drape old furniture with fabrics, make sure these are pretty and match with the colour scheme as well.

With a little extra effort, you'll have such stylish student housing that you'll actually look forward to studying.

The LACK floating shelves (at right) and LACK low storage bench (at rear) from IKEA.

The SLATTHULT Japanese birch wall decal from IKEA is an easy solution to decorating in temporary spaces. The self-adhesive decals are easy to put up and take down.

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Tammy Schnurr and Jeffrey Fisher are hosts of Arresting Design on W Network.

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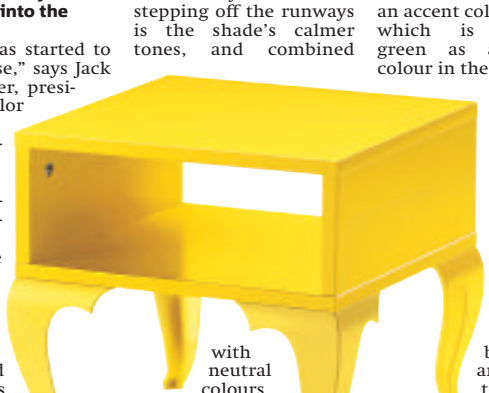
Yellow fever

Colour is on the rise in home decor, design professionals say

Step aside, orange. It's yellow's turn to shine. The last few years have seen greens and oranges in the home decor spotlight, but that's about to change, as the primary colours blue and yellow muscle back into the forefront.

"Orange has started to run its course," says Jack Bredenfoerder, president of Color Marketing Group, an international association of colour design professionals.

As in the fashion world, with its punch of yellow in bangles, bags and high heels, the colour often described as "sunny" and "energetic" is returning as a primary accent colour in home design. What we wear often determines how we decorate. "It's in fashion now, then in our homes," says Bredenfoerder. The yellow he sees stepping off the runways is the shade's calmer tones, and combined with neutral colours.



Yellow is especially attractive as an accent for whites, greys and black, although Bredenfoerder warns that too much black with yellow can make a jarring contrast. Combining yellow with grey can create an air of sophistication.

Yellow has long been an accent colour for blue, which is overtaking green as a principal colour in the home.

Bredenfoerder, who is design director in the Cincinnati office of Landor Associates, a design and branding firm, advises steering clear of traditional blues, which are ubiquitous, and looking for something new along the lines of an "intense, bright, ultrama-

Top: The Trollsta side table from Ikea. Above: The Brass Leaf Nightlight from Viva Terra. The last few years have seen greens and oranges in the home decor spotlight, but that's about to change, as primary colors blue and yellow muscle back into the forefront.

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Above: The new Kramfors chaise lounge in Myrby yellow from IKEA. Below: IKEA-designed yellow kitchen cabinets.

rine-type blue."

With the changing seasons, now is the perfect time to think yellow, according to Sonu Mathew, an interior designer and senior manager of commercial and residential design with the paint company Benjamin Moore.

"You can use yellow as a bridge from the cooler colours of summer to the warmer colours of fall," she says.

Give a room some punch with a yellow bowl, throw pillows, a slipcover or a bedspread. Or make it as simple as a bouquet of fresh yellow flowers.

Mathew even advises painting ceilings with a hint of yellow to create warmth in the room.

But she warns that yellow can be a particularly difficult colour to navigate. "It's just a hard colour for our eyes to process," she says.

As an accent colour, yellow brightens a room, but a little goes a long way. The safest yellows are the creamy, calmer ones.

Too much of a cheerful yellow can prove annoying.

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ADVERTISING FEATURE

Only five lots left at Guildwood Phase 2!

Now that the Estates of Guildwood Village has had a stellar six-month run, the SENTEX Homes partners lost no time in coming up with a timely bonus promotion to reward decisive buyers.

To showcase the site's proximity to the Guildwood GO Train station, which provides a convenient alternative to driving, SENTEX will give buyers of the last remaining lots a one-year family pass for the GO. Buyers who do not need to take the train will have the alternative of a $3,000 gasoline credit. The choice is up to the buyers — either way, the $3,000 bonus will be credited to purchasers at closing.

"Choose your bonus!" is just one more way that SENTEX Homes gives buyers what they want — on a gold platter. SENTEX Homes will continue its very popular promotion of paying the Toronto Land Transfer Tax, in addition to shouldering the costs of hookups and levies for buyers who buy now. So, at closing (apart from the rest of their down payment), buyers only need to pay their own legal costs, their TARION enrolment fee and the Ontario Land Transfer Tax.

When buying from plans, purchasers can personalize the homes' interiors to suit their lifestyles (provided no load bearing walls or mechanicals are affected). Walls can be put up, rooms opened, baths and laundries moved — at no additional charge. The elegant exteriors are architecturally controlled to form a gracious and gentle streetscape. No cookie cutter barracks style for this enclave of 17 luxury homes!

For the homes that have been sold so far, every new owner has modified the original floor plan of the model they have chosen. The buyers have taken advantage of the builder's offer for them to express their full creativity in making the home a unique canvas of the owners' personalities. Standard for all homes are pre-finished natural oak hardwood floors for the living and dining rooms, granite kitchen counters, hardwood stairs with matching oak pickets and risers, and nine-foot ceilings on the main floor. The purchasers can also choose their upgrades from a wide range of offerings in consultation with SENTEX Homes' own interior design team.

There are two main styles of homes at the Estates of Guildwood Village. One, the Courtyards, features a unique amenity space between the garage and the main house, plus extra living space above the garage. The other, the Traditionals, caters to a comfortable sense of what's familiar while still providing a lot of house for the money. As of this writing, Phase 2 has two lots left that can fit any Courtyard-style home; only one lot is left for a Traditional model.

A fitting capstone, however, is the release of the last two lots in Phase 2, which are at the end of a quiet cul-de-sac closest to a green open meadow. These lots have 45-foot frontages and two one-of-a-kind elevations have been designed especially for them. The Squire and the Grange, both 2,687 square feet in size, offer three- or four-bedroom floor plans.

SENTEX Homes invites you to the Estates of Guildwood Village to explore how your vision can find expression with these homes as your medium. These finely crafted homes range from 2,516 to 3,507 square feet and are priced from the high-$500,000s.

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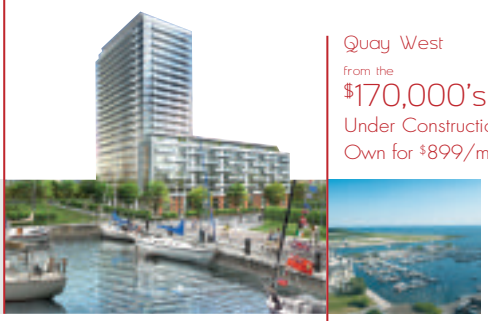

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Storage in style

Container Store ships to Canada

HOME & STYLE Thirty years ago, The Container Store opened its door as the first retailer devoted entirely to home organization products. The storage-in-style powerhouse celebrates its pearl anniversary with the news that it will now ship to Canada. Above, Inter Metro Kitchen shelf unit, $194 US (as shown), solid shelf serving cart, $197 (as shown), The Container Store, 800-733-3532 or containerstore.com.

— BRETT WALTHER

Decorating for two

Meld your décor with your mate's

HOME LIBRARY The Nest Home Design Handbook by Carley Roney, $26, Potter, softcover, 192 pages.

From The Nest (the nest.com), a site with advice for marrieds, comes this hip and stylish guide to melding your stuff with that of your mate for a fab home you both love. Features a design planner, along with storage tips, personalizing hints and quick-fix DIY projects.

— JENN HOULIHAN

Clearly versatile vases

Put transparent glass cylinders to good use in any room

With their simple, classic shape and transparent glass form, cylinder vases are infinitely versatile in any style of interior. At right are just a few of Style at Home's ideas to make them work in your space:

• Create a casual and eclectic centrepiece by placing unique items under a grouping of cylinders for a cloche effect.

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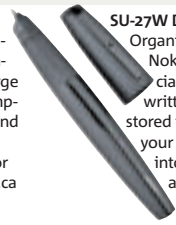

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— WRITTEN BY LAUREN McPHILLIPS, PRODUCED BY SUZANNE POST

White marble countertops are gorgeous, but they're not for everyone

Q I live in a condo and would like honed-marble kitchen countertops, just like the ones featured in your May 2007 issue on page 66. I'd also like to use the same marble for the backsplash. What do I need to know about marble care?

Violet Straw, Vancouver

A The beautiful kitchen you mention (at left), by Montreal designer Rollande Vachon, is one of my all-time faves. However, beauty is in the eye of the beholder, so the question of whether marble is right for you comes down to this: If you're in a bistro with marble tables and counters, do you think the aged surfaces look gorgeous, or just worn and dirty?

If the former, then chances are Bianco Carrara honed marble will be a great choice for your kitchen. You'll love having natural stone, and you'll embrace the occasional stain as part of the desirable patina. But if you think old counters look dirty, marble may not be for you. Of course, you won't be as hard on it as hundreds of café patrons, but the fact remains that marble is relatively soft and porous, and can chip and stain fairly easily. If you do go with marble, care for it by sealing it annually, blotting spills right away, and cleaning with hot water or a product like Stone Care International's Marbamist spray cleaner. White marble countertops are gorgeous, but they're not for everyone.

Margot Austin, senior design editor, Style at Home

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Top lighting tips for your home

InteriorDivine

It's basic decorating principle: Good lighting will make or break your scheme — FACT! Set a confident illuminated mood and you'll instantly pop the rest of your plans to life. Set mood incorrectly, however, and you'll forever languish in under- or over-lit spaces that will comprehensively undermine your efforts elsewhere.

And the best news? Lighting your home is NOT the difficult science that some designers tell you it is. We prefer to keep things fuss-free as we set tone and atmosphere. Yup, if you follow our tips you'll be home and dry!

Dimmer switch

Sometimes the smallest changes can make the biggest difference. Add a $20 dimmer switch to create flexible mood control at the twist of a button.

Combo lighting

Don't expect a centre pendant to provide sufficient illumination. The best-lit rooms are served by a combo of overhead and side lighting.

Hallway dressing

Hallways look wonderful when dressed with long slim consol tables propped on either end, with attractive lamps that complement overall décor. Position a mirror between to bounce light even further.

Do a little shopping

Stores such as Ikea, HomeSense, Zellers and Home Outfitters now stock a surprisingly "of-the-moment" selection of bright ideas. When was the last time you popped by?

Lighting pools

To create atmospheric lighting pools, position discreet lamps behind sofas and chairs, but ensure that fabrics don't get too near light bulbs to avoid heat buildup and fire risk.

Task lighting

Under-cabinet kitchen "task" lighting is a great way of providing extra illumination when preparing food, but also looks great at night as mood lighting when overhead options are switched off.

Pot lights

In rooms with low ceilings keep pendant fixtures OUT and pot lights IN! Opt for "dangle-free" slick pot lights or ceiling tracks that don't interfere with eye lines.

Scented candles

Scented candles are often overlooked as a means by which to provide illumination and olfactory atmosphere — but we use them everywhere! A host of flickering flames will add dinner party drama — or a sexy mood for nights in — but always remember to make sure they don't come in contact with curtains or other fabrics. And never leave your candles unattended.

So there you have it — lighting really is that simple! Just one last thing … don't forget our favourite source of quality bargains: Online auction sites, particularly eBay. No longer simply a list of private ads for far-off bargains, eBay now carries a host of virtual retailers who have chopped their pricing structures seriously lean to tempt your dollars. Often 25 to 45 per cent less than typical high-street prices, you're sure to feel thoroughly switched on by what's on offer. See you next week!

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Condo or house realty taxes depend on value, not size

Q I am considering purchasing a home and want to know if it is less expensive for taxes if I buy a condominium rather than a house?

LegalMatters

Jeffrey D. Cowan
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A Real estate taxes are based on the value of the property rather than the type of property. So, you can purchase an expensive condominium for say, $500,000, and a house for $325,000 and the realty taxes would reflect the value of the property.

In a very simple example: Currently in Toronto, the mill rate is equal to approximately 1 per cent of the value of the property. So the annual realty taxes for the condo would be $5,000, and $3,500 for the house.

Taxes are assessed in conjunction with the municipality and the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC), which is a provincial authority. It is to this body to which you would appeal your property assessment if you thought it was unfair.

MPAC assesses the value of residential property on the basis of: Location; lot dimensions; living area; age of the property, adjusted for any major renovations or additions; and quality of construction. Generally, in order to appeal your assessment you need some form of proof of the value of your house. Most people who are successful at this process gather information on similar homes in their neighbourhood that have sold recently. These are known as comparables and, in fact, MPAC uses a sales comparison approach to value in order to assess taxes.

Don't stress over realty taxes: MPAC can give you a fair assessment.

For those of us who are not adept at paperwork and personal advocacy in front of a board, there are firms that actually specialize in handling realty tax appeals in front of MPAC.

You should closely examine your yearly MPAC assessment because although it attempts to be fair and use current market values, MPAC is still the "taxman."

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Food

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Barb Holland/for Metro Canada

Cooking

Rapini needs only two to six minutes of cooking. Don't overcook — you want crisp, green rapini.

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Cabbage's curly, cute cousin

À la carte

Barb Holland
Metro Food Writer

I was introduced to rapini by cookbook author and colleague Emily Richards, best known as one of the hosts of Canadian Living Cooks on the Food Network. Emily was demonstrating a recipe from her cookbook, Italian Express (HarperCollins Publishers). She blanched a bunch of rapini, then chopped it and added it to a frittata. I was hooked on its bitter and mustardy flavour. Also known as broccoli rabe, broccoli raab or broccoli di rape, this vegetable does look a little like broccoli with its edible stems, dark green leaves and small bud clusters. Much loved by Italians, it is a member of the cabbage family, hence the somewhat pungent flavour. After blanching, it is often sautéed in olive oil with garlic, or tossed with pasta such as this recipe.

Rapini with Pasta and Tomatoes

You can shortcut the big pot of boiling water by cooking rapini quickly in the microwave. If you can find cans of cherry tomatoes, stock up on them; their sweetness helps to balance the rapini a bit. Serve with crusty bread. Makes 4 servings.

INGREDIENTS:

- 8 oz (250 g) penne or rotini pasta, about 3 cups (750 mL)
- 1 bunch rapini
- 2 tbsp (30 mL) olive oil
- 1 onion, chopped
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 14 oz (398 mL) can cherry tomatoes or a 19 oz (540 mL) can chunky pasta tomatoes
- 1/2 tsp (2 mL) red pepper flakes, optional
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) freshly grated Parmesan cheese, more to pass at table
- Salt and pepper

METHOD:

In a large pot of boiling, salted water, cook pasta until al dente. Drain and return pasta to pot to keep warm.

Meanwhile, rinse rapini and trim 1-inch (2.5 cm) off stem ends (compost). Chop rapini into 1-inch (2.5 cm) lengths. Place in a large microwave bowl, add ¼ cup (60 mL) water, cover and microwave 5 to 6 minutes, or until bright green and still quite crisp (don't overcook). Stir during cooking. Drain well. (Alternately, blanch the rapini in the pasta water before cooking pasta. After adding rapini, bring back to a boil, then scoop rapini out and drain. Cook pasta.)

In a large skillet, heat oil over medium heat. Add onion and garlic and sauté a few minutes to soften. Add tomatoes (with liquid) and red pepper flakes. Cook until mixture comes to a boil, reduce heat and simmer a few minutes. Stir in rapini and cook until heated through. Toss with pasta and cheese. Season to taste with salt and pepper and pass additional cheese.

Also known as broccoli rabe, broccoli raab or broccoli di rape, rapini does look a little like broccoli with its edible stems, dark green leaves and small bud clusters. Much loved by Italians, it is a member of the cabbage family.

Tips:

- Pick of the Crop: Look for firm, crisp rapini with a dark green colour with tightly closed flower buds. Avoid yellow flower buds or yellow leaves.
- Storing: Remove twist ties or rubber bands and store unwashed in perforated plastic bag in the refrigerator. Use within a few days.

Barb Holland is a professional home economist and food writer who believes in shopping locally and in season.

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The Summertime Anytime Cookbook, hard cover, is available at Amazon.ca for $23.91.

Shutters Vegetarian Burger

Many restaurants appease their vegetarian guests by slapping a frozen vegetable patty on the grill and serving it up burger-style. Not at our boardwalk café. This burger deserves an extra-large whole grain or sprouted-wheat bun.

INGREDIENTS:

- ¼ cup barbecue sauce
- 2 tbsp soy sauce
- 1 tbsp of hoisin sauce
- 1 tbsp molasses
- 1 (15-ounce) can black beans, drained
- 2 cups cooked brown rice
- 1 tbsp oat bran or wheat germ
- 2 tbsp finely chopped onions
- 1 tbsp minced garlic
- 2 tbsp finely chopped cooked beets (fresh or canned)
- 1 tbsp minced jalapeno pepper, seeded
- 2 tsp extra-virgin olive oil, plus additional for cooking
- ½ tsp ground cumin
- ½ tsp Chile powder
- Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper
- 1 large egg white, beaten
- 6 slices of Monterey jack or sharp Cheddar cheese

METHOD:

In a small container, stir together the barbecue sauce, soy sauce, hoisin sauce, and molasses.

In a large bowl, mash the beans with a fork. Stir in 3 tablespoons of the barbecue sauce mixture along with the rice, oat bran, onion, garlic, beets, pepper, oil, cumin, and Chile powder. Season to taste with salt and pepper before adding the egg white. Form into 6 patties, each about an inch thick. Brush the burgers with the remaining barbecue sauce mixture.

Heat a heavy skillet over medium-high heat and add a thin film of oil. Cook the patties until they are well charred on each side, about 4 minutes per side, being careful when flipping them as they fall apart easily.

Top them with the cheese and cook until the cheese is melted, about 2 minutes.

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Irish Shop is closing doors

After nearly 40 years, The Irish Shop, one of this city's most treasured fashion boutiques, is closing. Housed in a grand Victorian home in the Avenue Road and Bloor Street area since 1971, the shop is the only place in Canada that sells designer Philip Treacy hats. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Style

Club Monaco's chic new petal pushers

This fall is shaping up to be the season of statement jewelry. Paying homage to its Canadian roots, Club Monaco, the New York-based retail chain, has issued a collection of cuffs, charm bracelets and necklaces with the fleur-de-lys symbol. The stylized lily flower symbol, long associated with the French monarchy and Quebec, makes for a charming detail on accessories. Perfect for down-on-their-luck aristocrats with loads of style but low on cash. From $149 to $279. Left: Fleur-de-lys chain and beads with charm, $79. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Penchant for plaid

Versatile print not just for schoolgirls and Scotsmen anymore

AMANDA TRUSCOTT
for Metro Canada

It has long been associated with lumberjacks, Scotsmen and Catholic schoolgirls, but lately, plaid has also been shaping up to become one of fall's hottest trends.

"Plaid is very versatile. It's really what you want to do with it," says Laura Shankland, a spokeswoman for H&M.

She says she recently bought herself some plaid blouses with bows on them. She pairs them with a fitted skirt for a day at the office, or with wide-leg '70s-inspired jeans for a more relaxed look.

Tara Wickwire, a spokeswoman for Gap Inc., says such versatility is a big selling point for budget-conscious fashionistas. "Of late, people are shopping very practically, so they want to have pieces that can transcend seasons," she explains.

"These prints, these plaids, argyle — are just a great way to add in with what you already own in your existing wardrobe, whether it be denim, or khaki, or just basic shirts. It's just a great way to mix it in," she says.

The plaid renaissance is part of what she calls the "modern preppy" trend, which adds little extra details to tried-and-true looks.

"It's adding a bit of length to the one-button blazer, it's adding the ruffles to the plaid shirt, it's the fit and the finish of these new denims."

She suggests pairing a ruffled plaid top with a blazer and cropped cargo pants, or with an oversized, menswear-inspired cardigan.

You don't have to limit yourself to just one plaid piece per outfit, and you can even mix and match patterns, Shankland says. Combining different sizes and colours of plaid used to be considered a faux pas, but she says the rule these days is that anything goes, as long as you wear it with confidence.

"I've seen some great looks from the runway that really combine different tartans, or different plaids, and it looks fantastic." But she adds, "If you're not so sure, then don't go overboard, just choose to wear it on your bottom or on your top, with a solid colour. But it looks really great to have a bit of fun with it as well."

Left: Plaid ruffle top, Gap, $58
Right: Plaid conductor hat, Gap, $19.50

Plaid watch, Payless, $15.99

Plaid trouser, Reitmans, $30

Plaid scarf, Reitmans, $18

Above: American Eagle exclusively Payless plaid gigi bow flat, $39.99

Below: American Eagle exclusively Payless black plaid flare clutch, $22.99

"Of late, people are shopping very practically, so they want to have pieces that can transcend seasons."
Tara Wickwire, Gap Inc.

Blake Lively and Leighton Meester of Gossip Girl.

Gossip Girl setting fashions

TV In anticipation of the second season of Gossip Girl, the real-life gossip is flying fast — not about the plot, but about the clothes.

While many television shows like Sex and the City have captured the hearts of fashion's in crowd in the past, none have done so with the impact on the teen set and its emerging buying influence as Gossip Girl has, says Gloria Baume, the fashion director of Teen Vogue.

The teen soap, which starts its second season Sept. 1, has become known more for its fashion than its scripted drama, and the styles worn by its hot young stars are influencing women of all ages.

"Truthfully, that generation — the 14- to 18-year-olds — have kind of taken over," Baume says. "It's all about them. The consumer trends, the music, anywhere from the general trends on the street, really gets translated into what women are wearing."

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Quebec designers head to Paris
A select group of homegrown designers have their sights set on Paris as they head to the fashion capital to take part in a prestigious international fashion event. A dozen Quebec designers will meet with European buyers at the Who's Next show next month. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Style File

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ask kim

I want to buy makeup lines like Cargo, Kevin Aucoin and Stilla but I don't always have time to make it out to Vancouver. Do you know any place in Delta that carries these lines? - Simone, Delta, B.C.

Beautilicious (beautilicious.ca) in South Surrey, B.C., carries a variety of makeup and skin care lines that I'm sure you'd be satisfied with. If you can't make it downtown, shop online at sephora.com or beautymark.ca; they ship all across Canada.
E-mail your style questions to kim.elbo@metronews.ca.

Vancouver's Kim Elbo has a passion for fashion. Here she shares the latest style tips.

preppy knits

The preppy look is back in sweaters. Short sleeve sweaters adorned with bows, crescents and stripes are what you'll be seeing in stores this fall. Look out for prep sweaters in the not so usual colours of pink, blue and purple. Try the look with a blazer or a tailored skirt then complete it with a pair of mary jane shoes, like the Lizza shoe in black or gunmetal by Coach.

accessory
Try out some of fall's hottest cool colours. $10 O.P.I Available at most professional salons across Canada.

fall bags

Berry picking season is over but berry-coloured bags are everywhere. Think of under- or over-ripened sweet berry colours of deep purples, blues and even magentas. If you're looking for a school bag, the messenger bag by Matt & Nat is big enough to carry your books or your laptop. The m0851 purple knot bag is my favourite bag; it's perfect for an everyday causal bag. The wristlet bag by New York designer Andrea Brueckner is small enough for an evening bag, but big enough to carry all your night essentials.

tip: Never store any leather in a plastic garment bag! It can't breathe. Opt for a cloth cover instead — fashion.about.com

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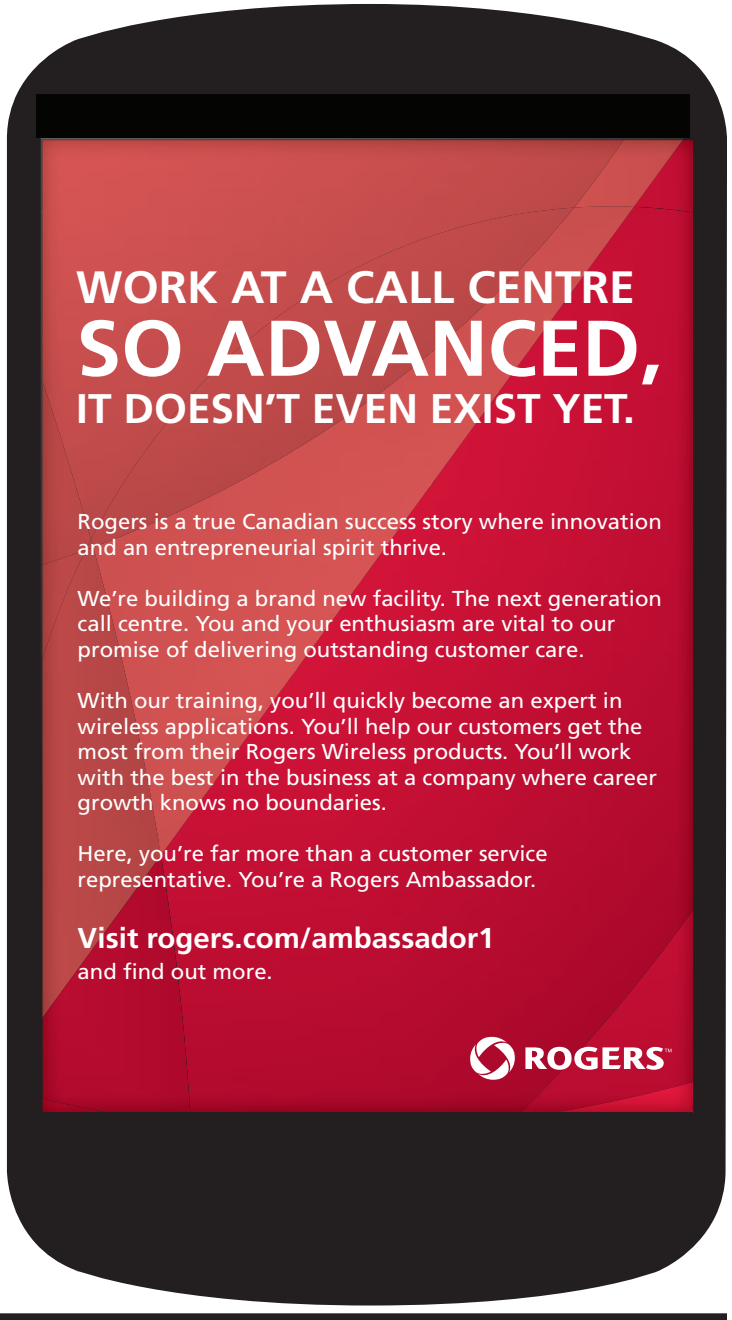
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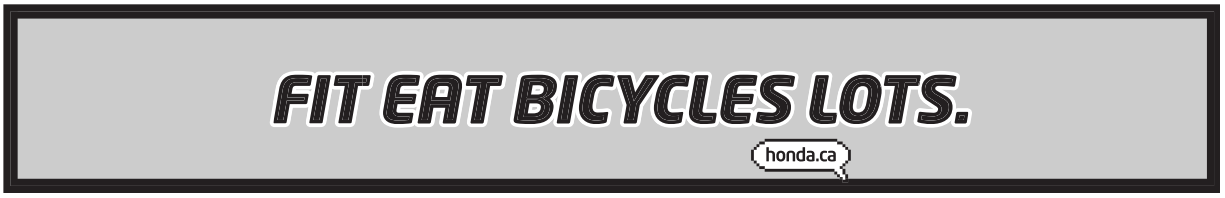

McCartney to play Israel 43 years after ban
Sir Paul McCartney is to play a concert in Tel Aviv on Sept. 25 — 43 years after being banned from performing in Israel with the Beatles, with the government fearing they would corrupt young fans. **BBC NEWS ONLINE**

Entertainment

Borrowed rights
Hilary Swank, along with producing partner Molly Smith, has acquired the rights to adapt Emily Giffin's New York Times bestseller Something Borrowed to the big screen. TVGUIDE.COM

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Verve comeback near perfect

Workman, Sampson among this week's other standouts

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Richard Ashcroft, centre, and The Verve return with Forth, which can be described as a battle between anthemic pop-rock, psychedelic gentility and brain-snatching extended freaks.

The **Verve**

Album: Forth
Label: Parlophone/EMI
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕⊕

THE VERVE RETURNS after a decade away with a near-perfect album of passive-aggressive Brit rock. The synth hook on Love Is Noise is clever enough to make some waves on the pop charts, but not quite strong enough to break The Verve free of the radio bondage of its signature hit, Bitter Sweet Symphony. But that's OK. The last thing we want is for The Verve to morph into another Coldplay. Try looking a little deeper into the crystal clear confusion of Forth's seven-minute closing track, Appalachian Springs. The strength of this record is its battle between anthemic pop-rock (Love Is Noise, Sit And Wonder, Rather Be), psychedelic gentility (Valium Skies, Judas) and brain-snatching extended freaks (Noise Epic, Numbness, Columbo). At its peak, The Verve thrived on the sometimes violent tension between singer Richard Ashcroft and guitarist Nick McCabe. Hopefully, the band has found the correct dosage (as indicated on Valium Skies) to keep it together this time around.

Graham Rockingham

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Lykke **Li**

Album: Youth Novels
Label: LL
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕⊕

THANK GOD FOR the Internet, otherwise we might never have been introduced to 22-year-old Swedish songstress Lykke Li. After posting some tracks to MySpace, this subtle songwriter suddenly became the next big Scandinavian export. And the hype is warranted. Her debut disc is loaded with contagious melodies backed by minimalist keyboard tracks and quiet guitars. With production by Bjorn Yttling of Peter, Bjorn and John, Youth Novels is one of the most inspiring pop albums of the year.

Bryan Borzykowski

Hawksley **Workman**

Album: Los Manlicious
Label: Isadora/Universal
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕

DESPITE THE QUESTIONABLE cover art — picture a bald Hawksley Workman lying in water — and the odd title, the Toronto singer-songwriter's 10th disc might be his best in years. On Los Manilicous, Workman delivers an eclectic mix of gritty tunes that jumps from Big Sugar-like sounds (When You Gonna Flower) to Hot Hot Heat (Kissing Girls) and straight-up radio friendly rock (Loney People). While some might be put off by all the genre-hopping, the tunes are infectious enough to put the fading Canadian songwriter back on the map.

Bryan Borzykowski

Gordie **Sampson**

Album: For The Few And Far Between
Label: MapleMusic/Universal
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕⊕

MUCH HAS TRANSPIRED since Gordie Sampson's last solo album, Sunburn (2004). Anointed by Keith Urban and hitting the top of the charts with Carrie Underwood (Jesus, Take The Wheel), this native of Big Pond, N.S., is now one of the most sought-after songwriters in Nashville. But don't categorize Gordie as a Cape Breton country boy. Sampson is a master craftsman closer in style to Elvis Costello than George Canyon (although he wrote the great My Name with Canyon). Sampson builds songs around unperfect characters like the doomed sailor in Davey Jones, the hip poetess of Montreal, or Bob Evans, the suburban dad who seeks love under the choir robes of the local church. Canada is blessed with a lot of fine songwriters of this calibre. Right now, Sampson may be the best.

Graham Rockingham

The **Game**

Album: LAX
Label: Geffen/Universal
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕

A GUEST LIST featuring Lil Wayne, Common, Ice Cube and Nas, among others? Impressive. Excessive name-checking from that same list? Not so much. Some punchy nods to classic gangsta-rap, cinematic R&B grooves and all bookended by the fiery gospel according to DMX? Impressive. "World-out-to-get-me" diatribes that come across more mellow, tired and desperate? Not so much. If in fact this is the swan song for this Grammy-nominated L.A. rapper, his parting shot ultimately makes one thing clear: It's Game Over.

Ian Nathanson

Matthew **Sweet**

Album: Sunshine Lies
Label: Shout Factory
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕

IF THERE'S ANYONE you can count on to deliver crisp, succinct power pop it's Matthew Sweet. The Los Angeles-based guitar slinger made it big in 1991 with hit song Girlfriend and released a number of solid albums after that. Sunshine Lies harkens back to Sweet's best songwriting days — the disc is full of fun, upbeat rock, perfect for those nostalgic for the '90s. Nothing here is as strong as Girlfriend, but there's still plenty of fiery riffs and infectious choruses to play air guitar to.

Bryan Borzykowski

Staind

Album: The Illusion Of Progress
Label: Flip/Atlantic/Warner
Rating: ⊕½

APROPOS TITLE, given that the post-grunge genre sounds the same now as it did 13 years ago. So what sets this radio-friendly act — and its brand of guitar grrrrs — apart from its peers? How about a choir on The Corner? Ohmygawd! Revolutionary! Beyond that, subtly substitute any one of Theory Of A Deadman, Creed or Nickelback and you wouldn't notice the difference. Illusion indeed.

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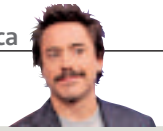

Original 90210 stars make up

TV The original 90210 kids have long since left high school, and apparently they've left the old high-school drama behind, too, People.com reports.

Shannen Doherty, the most notoriously difficult member of the original cast, says things are positively pleasant between her and Jennie Garth on the set of the new 90210.

"There was almost a comfort in knowing that I was getting to work with somebody who had been on the original with me and gone through the same experiences," she told Radar magazine.

Winfrey top talk-show earner

Winfrey

TV No one comes close to rivalling Oprah Winfrey as the highest paid talk-show personality, imdb.com reports.

In the latest Forbes magazine list, Winfrey holds the top spot with $275 million US a year, nearly four times the amount the second person on the list, radio shock-jock Howard Stern, earns each year ($75 million).

Zeppelin working on new material

MUSIC Led Zeppelin musicians Jimmy Page, John Paul Jones and Jason Bonham have been working on new material, BBC News Online reports.

Drummer Bonham told a radio station in Detroit the songs could be destined for a new Led Zeppelin album. Writing new material has been "on the cards" since the band's one-off reunion show in London last December, he told 94.7 WCSX.

But lead singer Robert Plant has not been involved in any of the sessions, he added. METRO NEWS SERVICES

J.J. Abrams takes Fox to the Fringe

Lost co-creator brings new sci-fi series to TV

At any given time, J.J. Abrams has an awful lot on his mind: He's the producer, writer and co-creator of ABC's hit series Lost, and the writer and director of the return of Star Trek to the big screen.

But apparently Abrams was not busy enough.

Even before Trek went before the cameras last year, he was already at work creating his new Fox sci-fi series, Fringe, which debuts at 8 p.m. EDT on Sept. 9.

"I'm naturally more comfortable working on multiple things," says Abrams on a break from editing Star Trek on the Paramount lot in Hollywood. "For better or worse — and it's not always for better — it is my natural state. I can't help it."

While Abrams is juggling post-production on Trek and writing Fringe episodes, his assistants are continually at him about all manner of other things in his life: Meeting schedules, publicity requests, wardrobe decisions, and the time he has to pick up a child from school.

Meantime, his Fringe cast and crew are 5,000 kilometres away, busy making New York City look like whatever dank, urban world is necessary to creep out their audience.

"J.J. is like Oz," notes actor Joshua Jackson on the New York set. "He's manipulating all his little kingdoms and empires from afar."

Jackson plays Peter Bishop, the son of crazed scientist Walter Bishop (John Noble), who, together with FBI agent Olivia Dunham (Anna Torv), investigates the secretive goings-on behind the doors of industrial giant Massive Dynamics as well as other paranormal phenomena.

AP PHOTO/FOX BROADCASTING CO.
In this image released by Fox, Joshua Jackson, left, and Anna Torv are shown in a scene from Fringe, premiering Sept. 9.

It's bright and sunny on this midsummer's day in New York, a stark contrast to the dimly lit set of Bishop's basement lab, which is cluttered with test tubes, mysterious devices, animal cages, a headless "human body" on a table covered with a sheet, and a stall that occasionally hosts a live cow (don't ask). It's a scene of carefully crafted chaos, with crew members occasionally placing items askew and a smoke machine whirring away to enhance the mood.

"They're fighting against technology and science out of control," Abrams explains back in Hollywood. "They have to solve crimes each week that are happening due to experiments being executed by people who are using the whole world as guinea pigs."

Olivia draws Bishop out of an asylum where he has spent the last 17 years, having previously worked in the government's so-called "fringe" science. "Spending all that time being pumped full of drugs and having electric shock therapy has made him 'a little bit' unstable," Noble laughs while taking a break. "Not to say he wasn't when he went in there." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Eli Stone gathers Henson

Taraji Henson, who last season played Carl Sack's New York office colleague on Boston Legal, has been booked for a three-episode arc on Eli Stone. TVGUIDE.COM

Bond star denies assault claims

PEOPLE Former James Bond star George Lazenby has denied allegations he assaulted his first wife and was an abusive alcoholic during their marriage, BBC News Online reports.

Lazenby is fighting for custody of his three children with his second wife, Pamela Shriver.

Christina Master, from whom he split in 1994, and their daughter, 34, alleged he beat and threatened them. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Pink Floyd among recipients of Sweden's 2008 Polar Prize

MUSIC Sweden's King Carl XVI Gustaf presented the 2008 Polar Music Prize to American soprano Renee Fleming and Pink Floyd band members Nick Mason and Roger Waters for their contributions to popular music and opera.

Swedish Prime Minister Fredrik Reinfeldt said at the ceremony Tuesday that the British rock band had made "a monumental contribution ... and captured the mood and spirit of a whole generation in their reflections and attitudes."

Fleming was praised for her "sublime, unparalleled voice and unique stylistic versatility" by Peter Gelb, general manager of the Metropolitan Opera in New York.

The awards, each worth about $164,000 Cdn, were handed out in the Stockholm Concert Hall. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Coens' dark comedy opens Venice festival

The Coen brothers wrote their dark comedy, Burn After Reading, with stars George Clooney, Brad Pitt and Frances McDormand in mind. Not necessarily a compliment.

The movie, which premiered yesterday at the Venice Film Festival, is a tale about idiots — and what happens when their worlds collide.

Pitt and McDormand are a pair of hapless gym employees who get in way over their heads when the memoirs of a failed CIA analyst (John Malkovich) fall into their hands and they try to peddle them as classified intelligence secrets. Clooney plays a hypochondriac philanderer having an affair with the CIA analyst's disappointed wife, played by Tilda Swinton.

"Looking at the parts we are playing, I'm very concerned about what you think of us," Clooney said at a news conference.

Pitt said he had waited a long time to work with the Coen brothers.

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Directors Joel and Ethan Coen arrive at the premiere of their movie Burn After Reading at the 65th Venice Film Festival in Venice, Italy, yesterday.

"Like George ... I'm not sure if I should be flattered or insulted," he said. "I'm still a bit unsure."

Asked if the movie is a love letter from her husband, Joel Coen, McDormand quipped: "Have you seen the film? And you call that a love letter?"

To point: The movie's opening shots are of McDormand's Linda Litzke having her behind, belly and arms scrutinized by a plastic surgeon in her attempt to fend off middle age.

"We started writing the movie as kind of an exercise, thinking of what kind of parts these actors might play, what kind of story they might inhabit," Ethan Coen told a news conference.

Burn Without Reading is set within a spy story for no other reason than "we hadn't done one before," Joel Coen told reporters.

The film — part comedy, part satire of Washington's government community — got a number of laughs during the press screening ahead of the gala opening last night.

The stars said there was no room for ad-libbing in the tightly written script, which weaves together overlapping stories. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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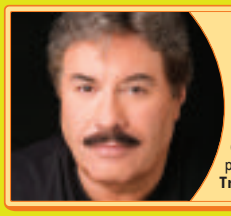

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Osment sees Broadway
The Sixth Sense star Haley Joel Osment, now 20, is to make his Broadway bow in David Mamet's American Buffalo. The revival opens on Nov. 17 at the Belasco Theater. IMDB.COM

More stars stand behind cancer telethon

The competition among TV networks, movie studios and A-list stars can be fierce, but the fight against cancer will unite them on Sept. 5.

More than 60 celebrities will participate in Stand Up To Cancer, a live fund- and awareness-raising television special that will air simultaneously on ABC, NBC and CBS.

Jessica Alba, Halle Berry, Jack Black, Sheryl Crow, Ellen DeGeneres, Jennifer Garner, Diane Keaton, Rob Lowe, Sharon Osbourne, Keanu Reeves and Carrie Underwood are among the stars set to appear, it was announced yesterday.

They will join previously announced participants including Salma Hayek, Scarlett Johansson, Lance Armstrong, America Ferrera, Meryl Streep, Charlize Theron and Forest Whitaker.

The celebrities, along with network news anchors Katie Couric, Charles Gibson and Brian Williams, will deliver an evening of "edutainment," said executive producer Laura Ziskin, a cancer survivor who helped establish the event and the nonprofit group behind it.

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Runway show comes up short

The British version of hit U.S. fashion design series Project Runway has been cancelled. Project Catwalk, which is hosted by Kelly Osbourne, has been dropped from TV schedules after it failed to pull in viewers. IMDB.COM

Entertainment in brief

PEOPLE Former teen star Mackenzie Phillips was arrested yesterday on suspicion of possessing a controlled substance at Los Angeles International Airport. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Kids caught in the Net

THE FUTURE IS NOW, IT JUST CAN'T VOTE YET: The New York Times ran a story this week putting the usual alarmist spin on what's little more than an unadorned fact; children between 10 and 14, at least according to a recent study, are more attracted to the Internet than the family television set, one of those "water wet; sand dry" truisms that was characterized in the first line by children "spending too much time online."

Eighty-three per cent of the junior high, tween and early high school crowd spends an hour or more online every day, as opposed to a mere 68 per cent devoting that much time to television viewing. They use the Net to research big purchases such as toys and electronics, and on social networking sites like Facebook and MySpace, but the Times deemed it worth noting that only 60 per cent frequented blogs; frankly, I'm amazed that that many were blog readers, the blogosphere being dominated

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mostly by vicious and often tedious partisan political shouting matches. (Kids see plenty of that at Thanksgiving and Christmas.)

The Times politely refrained from mentioning what most of them are doing — playing games and downloading music, movies and TV shows — perhaps out of a protective urge to deflect scrutiny from minors until they're in college, and riper targets for alienating intellectual property lawsuits. It's apparently more age appropriate to repurpose the usual fretting about socially stunted couch potatoes to the new, more interactive medium.

Specious arguments about children spoiled by the Internet's instant gratification aside — let's remember that there's a big difference between learning the virtue of patience and enforcing pointless delays — it looks like kids are simply voicing a preference for the nascent but essentially superior marketplace of the Internet over the constricted and sclerotic model of broadcast television.

These are the demands of future consumers, and the business of providing entertainment had better evolve to suit their preferences by the time they're old enough to get cable;

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Kiefer Sutherland

their older brothers and sisters are already eschewing TVs for laptops as they move from dorm room to first apartment. If we continue telling them that 2008 still needs to look like 1955, they're going to find someone else who will deliver the goods in a medium that looks more like a Wal-Mart and less like the Gum department store in downtown Moscow in the early '80s.

FILE UNDER OBVIOUS: "The kind of money generated around the industry is way out of proportion," Kiefer Sutherland told the San Francisco Gate this week. "The admiration bestowed on actors is also out of perspective."

The 24 star said he thought doctors, teachers, firefighters and police officers deserved to be paid more, though he didn't elaborate the precise method he would be using to redistribute his income.

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

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	576	582	49	BET	106 & Park	Hell Date	Black Carpet	Dream Speech	News Special	Truth-Johnson	Democratic Convention		Truth-Johnson
	627	528	50	SPC	Stargate SG-1 (DVS)		Star Trek: Voyager		*Recon 2020: The Caprini Massacre* (2004), Kevin Kelsall				Stargate SG-1
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	261	394	60	V	Murder, She Wrote		Fun-Funeral	Keeping Up	*Carousel* ★★★ (1956, Musical) Gordon MacRae, Shirley Jones.				
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	115	711	101	TVA	*Docteur Jerry et Mister Love* ★★★ (1963, Comédie)				Héros "Dans cinq ans" (HDTV)		TVA 22 heures	Sucré-salé	*8 Mile* (2002)
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	305	612	306	PIX	(6:45) *Bite the Bullet* ★★★ (1975, Western)				*Black Rain* ★★★ (1989, Crime Drama) Michael Douglas.				*Absolon*

critics' corner

Batman Beyond: Return of the Joker

In the darker style of the "Batman Beyond" series, this 2000 direct-to-video movie has Terry, Bruce Wayne's successor, confronting the Joker after the evil mastermind nearly kills Wayne. Voices include Will Friedle, Kevin Conroy, Mark Hamill, Dean Stockwell, Angie Harmon, Teri Garr, Mathew Valencia and Arleen Sorkin. 10 PM on TEL

Carousel

What starts out a touching story of love and marriage turns tragic when the husband is killed during a crime he committed to try to support his new family. As a wayward spirit, he is allowed to return to Earth for one day to help the daughter he never knew find her own happiness. Gordon MacRae, Shirley Jones and Gene Lockhart star in this 1956 Rodgers and Hammerstein musical. 9 PM on V

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eTalk Quebec correspondent Sophie-Gregorie Trudeau and her husband Justin Trudeau are expecting their second child. Gregoire-Trudeau says she is four months pregnant. The couple has a 10-month-old son. ETALK

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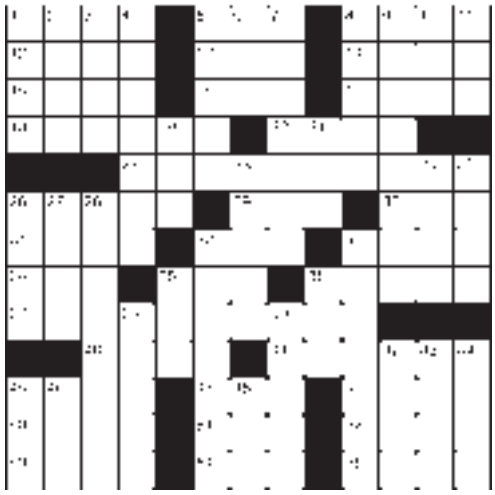

Crossword down

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2 Post-bath application
3 Vicinity
4 Glitch-causing gnome
5 Piece of parsley
6 "I thought so"
7 Cratchit kid
8 Ledge
9 Obliterated
10 Dadaist Jean
11 "Absolutely"
19 Brooch
21 "You've got mail" biz
23 Part of Hispaniola
24 Puncturing tools
25 Bigfoot's cousin
26 Trudge (on)
27 Old Italian coin
28 Food of the gods
32 Putting a whammy on
33 Pirate's weapon
35 Firmament
36 With 37-Across, Batman
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18 Shrimp recipe
20 Harvard rival
22 Sunrise
26 Unembellished
29 Have a bug
30 Have a balance
31 Describe
32 Muppets creator Henson
33 Fervent following
34 Scepter topper
35 Take a chair
36 Rwandan people
37 See 36-Down
40 Cameo stone
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MAY 22-JUNE 21
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CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
Don't pretend that all is well. A co-worker settles into a more stable routine. Get a strong grip on your self-control.

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
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LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
Someone will escape from a dangerous place. Stand firm on your principles. A bashful person will keep things in line.

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
A mature friend meets the challenge of depression. Remain calm and reflect on a revelation. A woman will exceed your expectations.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
A colleague will give you a reward. Anxiety about a job makes for a perplexing message. A religious man is unbelievably optimistic.

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
Don't discuss improper info with a fumbling bureaucrat. Your temper flares, but don't give into it. A feisty woman will have a late bedtime.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
A man questions the meaning of life. Favourable acts take place in the dark. An arrogant person has a major impact on your decisions.

PISCES ♓
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HOW TO PLAY SUDOKU:
The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, each column, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

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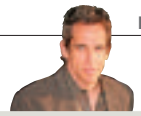

Much ado about Stiller
Ben Stiller will be honoured for his contribution to Hollywood in New York on Nov. 12. The actor/director is this year's honouree for the Museum of the Moving Image's 24th annual black-tie salute. IMDB.COM

Celebrity Buzz

Sheridan, Bolton split

BREAKUP Nicollette Sheridan and Michael Bolton are again going their separate ways, People.com reports.

"Nicollette Sheridan and Michael Bolton have amicably ended their engagement," said Nicole Perna, a rep for the actress.

"They appreciate your respect for their privacy in this matter."

The couple's relationship originally started in 1992, and lasted for five years.

The musician, 55, and the Desperate Housewives star, 44, resumed seeing one another in 2005.

In March 2006, they announced their wedding engagement.

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Aguilera wants another

FAMILY Christina Aguilera wants another baby, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The singer, who gave birth to her first child, Max Liron, in January, revealed she and husband Jordan Bratman hope to add to their brood because they love parenthood so much.

"It is the best thing you will ever do in your life," she said. "It just lights up my whole world when Max laughs. Being a mother just gives you a whole new sense of purpose, and it's just the most amazing thing. I was in awe of the entire experience of pregnancy — the entire journey was just incredible."

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Here's some sexy advice, guys: Shut up

RELATIONSHIPS Victoria's Secret stunner Adriana Lima may be off the market, thanks to her engagement to Minnesota Timberwolves Marko Jaric, but she's still offering tips on how a fella can land his very own angel, the New York Daily News reports.

"Be yourself," Lima told the newspaper in an interview.

"And don't talk about yourself too much. That's not sexy."

So, no talking about, say, owning your own private plane?

"No," Lima said with a laugh. "Don't tell me about your jet.

"I'm not interested."

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celebrity brief

Hudson defends self over lawsuit

IN COURT Kate Hudson has fired back at claims she stole the idea for a line of hair care products, imdb.com reports. The actress was named in a lawsuit that suggests she took a sample given to her by bosses at 220 Labs and created her own line with it with David Babaii. A spokesperson for the actress denies the claims: "Kate does not know the plaintiffs."

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Tyler sisters met at Aerosmith gig

FAMILY Model-turned-author Mia Tyler had no idea actress Liv Tyler was her half-sister when the pair first met at an Aerosmith concert, imdb.com reports.

Neither girl had been told of the other's existence, but they instinctively knew they were connected after meeting backstage at one of their father Steve Tyler's shows.

Mia, who was eight at the time, recalls, "There was this girl who looked like me. I went home that night and I couldn't stop talking about her, and my mom was like, 'Wait a minute' and I think she started putting two and two together and she was like, 'That's your sister.'"

The Tyler sisters have been inseparable ever since. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Lohan's daddy is fed up with Ronson relationship

SOUNDING OFF Lindsay Lohan's father Michael has slammed his daughter's rumoured girlfriend Samantha Ronson over reports she is to write a tell-all book about her life with the actress, imdb.com reports.

Lohan and Ronson have been close friends for several years and are now said to be in a relationship.

Now, Ronson is reportedly set to reveal intimate details of her life in a new tome.

"She's certainly telling friends she's planning to write a book," a source says. "It's supposed to be about her, allegedly. But come on — you know Lindsay will be all over that book. She's the only one people want to read about."

The rumours have infuriated Lohan's father, who claims the DJ is just using his daughter to get her own slice of fame.

"I've shut up about this long enough," he says. "She's using my daughter. People never even knew who Samantha Ronson was until she met Lindsay. She was just some Los Angeles DJ. And now she's writing a book?

"I am at wit's end with this stuff. This is not in Lindsay's best interest. Let's just say I hope Lindsay starts opening her eyes and realizes who the people using her are."

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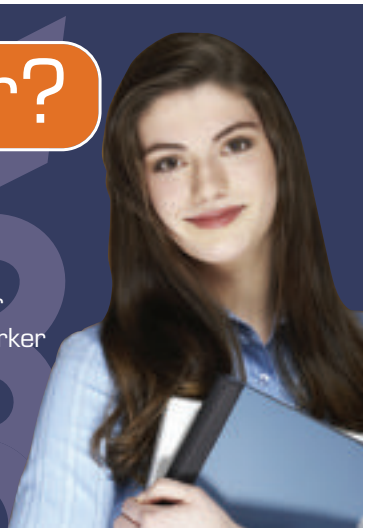

Tautou goes Coco

Actress Audrey Tautou will star as fashion legend Coco Chanel in a new biopic to be released next year. Tautou will portray the icon in a film entitled Coco avant Chanel. IMDB.COM

Celebrity Buzz

Joshua Jackson can't let stuff go

COUPLES Former Dawson's Creek actor Joshua Jackson is struggling to cope with domesticated life with girlfriend Diane Kruger — because he is such a hoarder, imdb.com reports.

The star recently moved in to a New York apartment with his longtime actress beau, but has had to make some adjustments — especially to his wardrobe.

"Maybe it's a male thing, but we are like pack rats," he says.

"There was this shirt from when I was eight, and I was like, 'No, I might wear that some day!' But things like that had to go."

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GETTY IMAGES PHOTOS

Mary-Kate: Kissing Kingsley no biggie

ACTING Mary-Kate Olsen found acting with Sir Ben Kingsley more difficult than kissing him, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The actress, who at 22 is 42 years Kingsley's junior, says locking lips with the star in The Wackness was easier than overcoming her nerves to film her first scenes with him.

"It is all part of being an actress," she says. "But I was so in awe of Sir Ben I was more nervous about acting alongside him than I was about the kiss."

Olsen adds that although she accepts being photographed is part of her fame, she feels it restricts some of the things she is able to do.

"I've been in the public eye for my entire life," she says.

"Growing up on television and with the media, it's easier to deal with because you grow up with it."

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Mel B. in Playboy?

PICTURES Mel B. would consider appearing nude in Playboy magazine, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The former Spice Girl revealed she has turned down two offers to appear in the adult publication, but hasn't ruled out the idea completely.

"I was offered Playboy last year and again a couple of months ago, and I did turn them down, but that's not to say I wouldn't consider it in the future," she says. "I have no problems walking around the house naked or anything."

The 33-year-old star also says she is comfortable with her body image and doesn't believe in dieting to lose weight.

"I'm pretty confident with my bikini body," she tells Britain's Closer magazine. "It's not like I've got a skinny body either, it's very voluptuous. But I do like it and that's great. I work out and eat healthy and listen to my body. I've never lost my curves and got skinny. I guess working out and genetics have helped me in that department. I don't believe in dieting to lose weight."

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Still Complicated for Denise Richards

TELEVISION Former Bond girl Denise Richards is in negotiations to star in a second season of her reality TV show It's Complicated, imdb.com reports.

Despite the drama connected to the first season of the program, before which the actress's ex-husband attempted to ban their daughters from making appearances, and after which her neighbours complained about filming, Richards is keen to shoot again.

And following reports the show has been axed by the E! network, the star says, "We're having great conversations about Season 2."

An E! insider confirms there are plans to shoot a second season of the series: "The show actually does well for us."

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celebrity brief

Moss a tricky mom

PARENTING Supermodel Kate Moss tricks her daughter into eating her vegetables by bribing the five-year-old with designer hand-me-downs, imdb.com reports.

Moss admits she "blackmails" Lila Grace, whose father is magazine editor Jefferson Hack, into finishing her dinner by promising her access to her extensive wardrobe.

"When she's 16 she will get my clothes," Moss says. "All those Pucci numbers and things that I wore when I was 17 that I won't really wear — I'm saving them for her."

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Dunst in new relationship

DATING Kirsten Dunst has a new rocker boyfriend, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The actress is reportedly romancing MGMT front man Andrew Vanwyngarden after meeting at a U.S. concert last month.

The pair have been seen together at several European festivals.

"Kirsten met Andrew at a show in New York in July and set her sights on him then," a source says.

"She was backstage with him at Lowlands in Holland and Pukkelpop in Belgium earlier this month."

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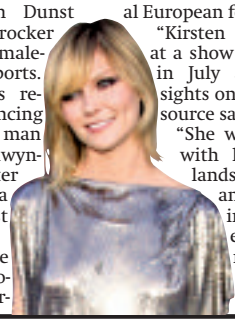

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